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SENATOR SCHIMEK PRESIDING

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Good morning. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber for the second day of the Ninety-Eighth Legislature, First Session. Our chaplain today is Senator Johnson. Please rise.

SENATOR JOHNSON: (Prayer offered.)

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Senators, would you please record your presence. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: There is a quorum present, Madam President.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Are there corrections for the Journal, Mr. Clerk?

ASSISTANT CLERK: No corrections this morning.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: I would recognize Senator Hudkins then for a motion. Senator Hudkins.

SENATOR HUDKINS: Thank you, Madam President and members. I move that the rules, as now in our possession, be adopted for today only, January 9, 2003.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Senator Hudkins. We'll have a voice vote and all in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. Thank you. The motion carries. Are there messages, reports, or announcements, Mr. Clerk?

ASSISTANT CLERK: Madam President, there are. I have an Attorney General's Opinion that was addressed to Senator Johnson that was received since the last special session. In addition, we have a series of reports that have been received by our office since the last special session from a variety of state agencies. Those include the Department of Agriculture, the Auditor of Public Accounts, Department of Environmental Quality, the Fiscal Office, Game and Parks Commission, the GIS Steering Committee, Health and Human Services System, the Investment Council, the Investment Finance Authority, the Department of